



St. Patrick Parish

Annual Report Ending June 30, 2020



Letter from Fr. Matt

Dear brothers and sisters,

Wow, 2020! A year like no other. As we begin this season of Stewardship and as we close another year in the life of the parish, we cannot help but reflect on the impact that the pandemic has had on our parish, our parishioners, our community, and our world. While times have been difficult, good has come out of it. This is also a time of opportunity, a way to make lemonade out of lemons. Let me share a few examples of this with you now.

Our church actually grew, at times to over 12,000 people in a weekend, as we reached out with our live streamed Masses during the pandemic. While of course we always want to worship God in church and in the real presence of the Eucharist, but at a time when we did not have that option we attracted many new viewers to our live streamed Mass, drawing people from other states and counties. Who would have thought this was possible a short time ago?

Over the next several years we had planned on exploring alternatives to our in-classroom model of Faith Formation. With the onset of the pandemic, this quickly became a priority. An evaluation team of individuals with diverse and relevant qualifications was assembled and in a timely fashion, a new Family Formation model was developed. This model is not only virtually held, it is also offered virtually free. This is an example of putting the budget to work to ensure our parish resources are being used to support the parish vision!

My letter is continued on the back page of this report. Before turning there, take a look at how we live out our parish vision:

Our Parish Vision: To transform lives by making church matter, building disciples, and seeking and saving the lost.

Making Church Matter - Helping people feel comfortable and welcomed at our Masses, ensuring that the words to prayers and music are readily accessible, that they are moved by an inspired homily, uplifted by beautiful music, and leave with a desire to want to come back.

Building Disciples – We want to inspire, motivate and equip our parishioners to go out and speak about their faith to the unchurched and de-churched. Whether through prayer, serving others through ministry, or entering deeper into their faith through Bible studies or other opportunities to grow, we want to make disciples among us. In doing so, we want our financial resources, God-given talents, and hard work to make a difference towards these disciple-making goals.

Seeking and Saving the Lost – Jesus gave us the task of discipling all nations (Matt.28:18-20). If we are to follow His mission of evangelization, we cannot wait for those who do not know him to arrive at our church doorstep. Rather, we must be actively seeking those around us, family, friends, coworkers, neighbors, and acquaintances who do not know Christ so we can help them to know Him.

Transformed Lives – This is the fruit of our Parish Vision. It is when someone with little or no faith has been introduced to Jesus Christ and they believe and humbly accept Him into their lives. Jesus' mission is for all people to know and to love God.

His plan for accomplishing this mission? *You and Me.*

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES

Revenue	FISCAL YEAR END JUNE 30, 2020			6/30/2021
	Parish	Faith Formation	Total	Budget
Sunday Offertory ¹	\$862,742	\$ 0	\$862,742	\$863,000
Other Collections	54,772	0	54,772	44,000
Restricted Mortgage Donations	204,537	0	204,537	168,000
Restricted Receipts (other)	28,852	0	28,852	4,000
Unrestricted Receipts	23,698	0	23,698	20,984
Tuition and Fees	0	45,815	45,815	10,000
Cemetery Receipts	9,090	0	9,090	7,200
Total Revenue	1,183,691	45,815	1,229,506	1,117,184
Expenses				
Staff Salaries & Stipends	342,777	46,386	389,163	403,538
Medical Ins. & Pension Costs	60,012	0	60,012	66,168
Payroll Taxes & Other	31,687	4,108	35,795	43,675
Overhead/Maintenance	36,515	13,881	50,396	60,690
Materials, Supplies, Curriculum	58,410	8,146	66,556	62,668
Professional & Outside Services	84,660	11,367	96,027	116,049
Mortgage Interest Costs	19,220	0	19,220	14,000
Diocese Expenditures	48,024	0	48,024	55,728
Property Insurance Expense	23,973	0	23,973	24,200
Cemetery Expenses	9,185	0	9,185	7,200
Restricted Disbursements	10,820	700	11,520	4,000
Investment in St. Mary School	105,000	0	105,000	105,000
Total Expenses	830,283	84,588	914,871	962,916
Revenue Less Expenses	353,408	(38,773)	314,635	154,268
Faith Formation Investment²	(38,773)	38,773	0	0.00
Net Operating Revenue³	\$314,635	\$0	\$314,635	\$154,268

¹ Sunday Offertory was under budget for the year by \$39,258 or 4.4%.

² Faith Formation Investment represents the parish subsidy to this program resulting from expenses in excess of tuition collected.

³ Net Operating Revenue is used to fund the principal portion of our debt payments. Receipts were higher than usual due to the decision to hold off on planned staff hires in a conservative response to the global pandemic.

FINANCIAL POSITION HIGHLIGHTS

June 30, 2020

Local Deposit	
Accounts.....	\$ 292,761
Diocesan Deposit	
Accounts.....	\$ 98,979
Mortgage	
with Diocese.....	\$ 415,900

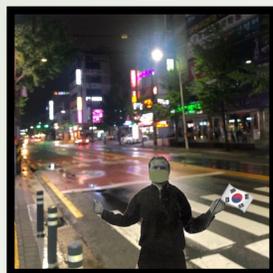
Save the Date!



The next session of Alpha starts February 2021

FR. FLAT-MATT CHALLENGE

The parish loves a challenge and Fr. Matt energized parishioners to take "him" with them on their travels over the summer. Fr. Flat Matt was taken across the country and even as far as Korea. He never thought he would "travel" so much at this time!



The staff thought it would be hilarious to give Fr. Matt's top favorites a fun bobblehead as a prize!

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

These special collections, when combined with the total offertory collection for the last fiscal year, show that 11% of total donations are going to help other charities.

Diocese of Joliet Collections:

Retired Priests Care & Support	\$2,039
Peter's Pence Collection	963
World Mission Sunday	1,606
Retirement Fund for the Religious	2,136
Church in Latin America	1,443
Church in Central and Eastern Europe	1,365
Home Missions	1,460
Catholic Relief Services	940
Pontifical Collection for the Holy Land	290
2020 Diocesan Annual Appeal – to date	67,633

Total - Diocese of Joliet Collections	\$79,875
St. Vincent DePaul Society	27,719
Project Cow – Uganda	3,362
Total Special Collections	\$110,956

MORTGAGE REDUCTION

The following restricted donations for mortgage reduction were collected for the year:

Red Envelopes:	\$136,556
Online giving	<u>67,981</u>
Total	\$204,537

The donations were used to fund \$171,780 in principal payments and \$19,220 in interest payments for the year ended June 30, 2020. Principal payments included \$23,000 in additional payments made in excess of that scheduled, due to the generosity of parishioners.

Our debt balance at June 30, 2020 is \$415,900 and is scheduled to be paid off in early 2023. Everyone is encouraged to add mortgage reduction to your regular offerings through the use of red envelopes or the Online Giving system.

LEGACY GIVING

There are many ways you can support St. Patrick Parish and its overall vision, including legacy gifts left for the benefit of future generations. Such gifts can take many forms and include:

- **Donations in your will or living trust, known as a bequest**
- **Beneficiary of life insurance or retirement plan assets**
- **Bequest of a specific asset such as stock or real estate**

These gifts may be directed for the general use of the parish, or may include restrictions to their use, such as for the benefit of our youth, evangelization initiatives, music ministry, outreach, or the reduction of debt, just to name a few.

Planning a legacy gift to St. Patrick Parish allows you to support our parish work for years to come without parting with assets today. Please prayerfully consider this option as part of your overall estate or financial planning.

CORPORATE GIFT MATCHING PROGRAMS

During the year we received over \$8,000 in corporate matching gifts! Companies of all kinds and sizes have created matching gift programs to give back to non-profits and encourage employee philanthropy. As an example, if you donate \$500 to the parish and your employer matches on a 1:1 ratio, the parish receives another \$500 from your company, for a total of \$1,000. Some programs offer even higher giving ratios! The list of companies who offer gift matching is extensive. Why not ask your employer if they have a gift matching program - and see your donations to the parish go even further!

NEED MORE INFORMATION? For more information on any form of Giving to the parish please contact our Business Manager, Susan Smerz, at: susansmerz@stpatrickyorkville.org or by calling 630-553-6671 ext. 16

ONLINE GIVING — IT'S EASY!

To get started with Online Giving, visit our website: www.StPatrickYorkville.org and click "Online Giving".

Once you click on the **Online Giving** icon on the main page, you may then enter the information to process your donation, which you can set up as a one time or recurring gift. **Need Assistance?** Please complete the following authorization form and we will set it up for you or change your current giving and notify you when it is done. Please include this completed form in a sealed envelope and forward to the Parish Office.

Honor the Lord with your wealth and the first fruits of all your produce.

– Proverbs 3:9

Sign me up for Online Giving! Please set up my designations as follows:

I am a current Online Giver. Please change my designation as follows:

Phone Number _____

_____ (print full name), hereby authorizes the withdrawal of preauthorized remittances from my specified account as noted on the reverse side of this form.

Please select your giving amount(s) and frequency below:

Weekly (52 payments per year) \$ _____ for weekly offertory \$ _____ for mortgage

Bi-Weekly (26 payments per year) \$ _____ for bi-weekly offertory \$ _____ for mortgage

Monthly (12 payments per year) \$ _____ for monthly offertory \$ _____ for mortgage

Your donation will begin when set up unless you specify a preferred start date here: _____

Use the following account information for my Online Giving. Choose ONE: Checking, Savings or Debit/Credit

Checking Account (attach voided check) OR Savings Account Acct# _____

Bank Name _____ Routing # _____

Debit or Credit Name on Card _____ Account # _____ Sec. Code _____

Expiration Date _____ Billing Address _____

Letter from Fr. Matt continued...

Last year during my talk on Stewardship, I spoke of a goal for online giving – to increase online offertory giving over the next three years so it represents 50% of total offertory giving, from 23% at that time.

I am pleased to say that we have exceeded this goal and online offertory giving currently represents 54% of total Offertory giving – something that many found a necessity when the current situation didn't easily allow for the more traditional ways of giving.

Online giving is safe, reliable and can be set up onetime or for recurring transactions, and I encourage everyone to consider its use. However, with whatever means our givers are using, I am grateful to all parishioners and guests who have chosen to invest in our vision with their donations.

More examples of how pandemic “opportunities” presented themselves within the parish are below. Please remember that we will emerge from this time stronger and more faithful to His call to do His work here on earth.



Jesus, I trust in You,

THE OPPORTUNITIES PROVIDED BY

~~THE DIFFICULTIES CAUSED BY~~ THE COVID 19 PANDEMIC!



YouTube Stars: Fr. Matt and Cardboard Pope Francis

Father Matt added levity when it was very needed by posting Wednesday afternoon videos featuring his unique sense of humor, giving many of us reasons to smile and still have joy at this time.

Our Youth found ways to help us stay connected. They delivered goodie bags filled with a mask, hand sanitizer, prayer card and note to our senior parishioners letting them know we were thinking of them and praying for them.

Alpha has been a successful Evangelization tool for us where people from our parish and community physically meet to get to know Jesus. Now Alpha gets together via video conferencing with people from our parish and community AND - people from other states - all to get to know Jesus!

The staff and volunteers, working remotely, reached out by phone to virtually all of our parishioners in the early months of the pandemic to check in on them, including almost 250 of our senior parishioners. Staff also included parishioners in prayer daily, when they met during the week via Zoom to pray together.

Our prior means of staying connected to the parish staff was having monthly lunch meetings. During the pandemic we shifted gears and now have weekly Zoom meetings with the staff, providing better and more timely communication and more opportunity to share vision.

We connected with our high school parishioners who graduated in May by delivering goodie bags to them. In addition, all high school, middle school and even kindergarten graduates were featured in a congratulatory video shown alongside our live streamed Mass in June.



High Schoolers and their Goodie bags



What IS Alpha? Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the basics of Christian faith in a fun, pressure-free environment. Each session includes watching a short film followed by a discussion where you can share what you think with a small group of people just like you. Alpha is a tool used by thousands of Catholic parishes around the world with proven results in bringing spiritual formation and changed lives to people of all ages and from every background.